# Executive Proclamation

## State of South Dakota

### Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Women of Color - American Indian, Alaskan Native, Asian American, Black, Hispanic and Pacific Island - have made major historical, cultural, scientific and political contributions to the development of the nation; and,

WHEREAS, Women of Color represent the strength of diversity which has made this nation unique and great; and,

WHEREAS, The occasion of the 1987 National Conference of the National Institute for Women of Color in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, offers an opportunity to promote educational and economic equity for Women of Color everywhere:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of March 1 through 7, 1987, as

WOMEN OF COLOR WEEK

in South Dakota, and urge the entire state to take this occasion to reflect on the influence of Women of Color in our state, applaud those outstanding Women of Color from around the nation who will be individually honored during the week, and consider how each of us can be more responsive to the concerns of Women of Color. I further urge our entire state, all businesses and professional leaders, educators, the clergy and the communications media to join in launching new initiatives that will assure the full participation of Women of Color in every sector of life here in the state of South Dakota in recognition of the ever-increasing leadership of Women of Color in our state.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Governor's Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Tenth Day of February, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Seven

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

JOYCE HAZELTINE, SECRETARY OF STATE